



W.P.No.10163 of 2023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

Dated: 03.04.2023

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THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE **M.DHANDAPANI**

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M.Amirtha Valli

... Petitioner

Vs

1.The Chairman,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution and Corporation Ltd., (TANGEDCO),
No.144, Annasalai, Chennai-600 002.

2.The Superintending Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution and Corporation Ltd., (TANGEDCO),
No.144, Annasalai, Chennai-600 002.
Cuddalore-607 001.

3. The Assistant Engineer,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution and Corporation Ltd., (TANGEDCO),
Murugankudi, Cuddalore District.

... Respondents

PRAYER: Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue any writ, order or direction, more particularly in the nature of Writ of Mandamus to direct the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.02.2023 within the stipulated time and consequently direct the respondents to grant compensation of Rs.20,00,000/- (Twenty Lakhs) with interest 12 % per annum for the death of the petitioner's husband due to electrocution on the ground of negligence of the Respondents.



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For Petitioner ... M/s.G.M.Gokulam

For Respondents ... Mr.Venkata Seshaiya
Standing Counsel (TNEB)

ORDER

This Writ Petition has been filed for a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.02.2023 and to grant the compensation amount of Rs.20,00,000/- to the petitioner towards the death of her husband due to electrocution.

2. Mr.Venkata Seshaiya, learned Standing Counsel (TNEB) takes notice for respondents.

3. It is the case of the petitioner that her husband is a daily wager and he was herding goats and on the fateful day, he came in contact with the live electric wire and died on the spot, pursuant to which, FIR was registered in Crime No.557 of 2022. It is the claim of the petitioner that death of her husband was on account of negligence on the part of the respondents, however, the respondents have not paid any compensation to the petitioner. Hence, the petitioner made a representation dated 14.02.2023 seeking compensation



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amount of Rs.20,00,000/- with 12% interest towards the death of her husband.

However, till date, the same has not been considered. Hence, this Writ Petition.

4. Though very many grounds have been raised, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that it would suffice if this Court issues a direction to the respondents to consider the petitioner's representation dated 14.02.2023 and pay compensation amount to the petitioner.

5. Learned Standing Counsel (TNEB) appearing for the respondents submits that pursuant to the petitioner's representation, a sum of Rs.5,00,000/- has already been paid to the petitioner towards the compensation.

6. It is the claim of the petitioner that no compensation amount has been paid by the respondents towards the death of her husband, however, learned Standing Counsel submits that already the compensation amount of Rs.5,00,000/- has been paid to the petitioner. If at all the petitioner has grievance with the compensation amount paid, liberty is granted to the petitioner to work out her remedy in the manner known to law.



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7. This Writ Petition stands disposed of with the aforesaid direction.

There shall be no order as to costs.

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